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SUBJECT: WARNINGS TO U.S. TRAVELERS

REF: STATE 76978

1. THE DEATH BY VIOLENCE OF A YOUNG AMERICAN OUTSIDE BEIRUT MAY 10 RAISES THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OUR GUIDANCE TO U.S. TRAVELERS TO LEBANON IS ADEQUATE. IN ADDITION TO THE WARNING IN REFTEL, WHICH IS MEANT TO BE USED ON AN IF ASKED BASIS, A CIRCULAR NOTICE POSTED AT PASSPORT OFFICES WARNS THAT "SECURITY CONDITIONS ARE UNSETTLED IN SOME PARTS OF LEBANON, PARTICULARLY IN THE SOUTH OF THE COUNTRY, AND U.S. CITIZENS ARE ENCOURAGED TO CONSULT THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN BEIRUT BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO TRAVEL TO THESE AREAS." MILITARY PERSONNEL ARE OFFICIALLY DISCOURAGED FROM TRAVELLING TO LEBANON.

2. IN ADDITION TO STRENGTHENING THE LANGUAGE IN THE CIRCULAR TO PASSPORT OFFICES (AND NEW LANGUAGE WILL TAKE SOME TIME TO BE DISTRIBUTED), WE COULD ISSUE A FORMAL
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DEPARTMENT TRAVEL ADVISORY WARNING AGAINST ALL TRAVEL TO LEBANON. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT BELIEVE THIS STEP IS WARRANTED BY CURRENT SECURITY CONDITIONS.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY VIEWS. VANCE

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